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SUBJ: ECONCOM IX - EXCHANGE OF GIFTS

REF A. STATTE 133282; B. TOKYO 8783; C. TOKYO 8565

1. GOJ AGREES THAT US PRINCIPALS, EXCEPT SECRETARY ROGERS, EXCHANGE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THEMSELVES, REGARDLESS OF RANK, WITH JAPANESE COUNTERPARTS AT JULY 17 COUNTERPART SESSIONS (REF B). MITI MINISTER NAKASONE PREPARED EXCHANGE PHOTOGRAPHS WITH SECRETARY DENT, MR EBERLE AND MR LAY AT COUNTERPART MEETING (REF B). MR BINDER WILL EXCHANGE PHOTOGRAPHS WITH VICE MINISTER SATO AS MINISTER SHINTANI WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND COUNTERPART SESSION.

2. FONOFF ADVISES US THAT MINISTER OHIRA WILL BE PREPARED EXCHANGE SUITABLE GIFT, OTHER THAN PHOTOGRAPH, WITH SECRETARY ROGERS AT JULY 17 COUNTERPART MEETING. FONOFF UNABLE AT THIS TIME SUGGEST SUITABLE GIFT FOR FOREIGN MINISTER OR TO INDICATE WHAT GIFT FOREIGN MINISTER HAS IN MIND FOR SECRETARY. WILL PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION IF AND WHEN AVAILABLE.

3. FONOFF AGREES TO EXCHANGE OF GIFTS BETWEEN WIVES. CONSIDERING HAVING EXCHANGE TAKE PLACE AT LUNCHEON GIVEN BY MRS OHIRA, JULY 17. THIS STILL VERY TENTATIVE. MRS NAKASONE AT PRESENT PLANS EXCHANGE GIFTS WITH MRS DENT AND MRS LAY. MRS SHINTANI IS ILL

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AND WILL NOT ATTEND ANY FUNCTIONS. MOT CURRENTLY STUDYING

ALTERNATIVE WIFE, POSSIBLY MRS SATO, WIFE OF VICE MINISTER,
TO ATTEND MRS OHIRA LUNCHEON AND EXCHANGE GIFTS WITH
MRS BINDER. ALL OTHER US WIVES WILL EXCHANGE GIFTS
WITH WIFE OF HUSBAND'S DIRECT COUNTERPART.
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